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**List of Commonly Used Acronyms**

**ABCs** – Active Bacterial Core Surveillance  
**ACET** – Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis  
**ACIP** – Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices  
**AHRQ** – Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality  
**APHL** – Association of Public Health Laboratories  
**AR** – Antimicrobial Resistance  
**ARS** – Agricultural Research Service  
**ARV** - Antiretroviral  
**AUR** – Antimicrobial Use and Resistance  
**BAMSG** – Bacterial and Mycology Study Group  
**BTEP** – Biotechnology Engagement Program  
**CARP** – Chicago Antimicrobial Resistance Project  
**CBER** – Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research  
**CDC** – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
**CDER** – Center for Drug Evaluation and Research  
**CDRH** – Center for Devices and Radiologic Health, FDA  
**CERTs** - Centers for Education and Research on Therapeutics  
**CFSAN** – Center for Food Safety and Nutrition  
**CME** – Continuing Medical Education  
**CMS** – Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (Formerly Health Care Financing Administration)  
**CRADA** – Cooperative Research and Development Agreement  
**CSTE** – Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists  
**CVM** – Center for Veterinary Medicine  
**DARPA** – Defense Advanced Research Project Agency  
**DoD** – Department of Defense  
**DMID** – Division of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases  
**DRSP** – Drug Resistant *Streptococcus pneumoniae*  
**VA** – Department of Veterans Affairs  
**EIP** – Emerging Infections Program  
**EPA** – Environmental Protection Agency  
**EPI** – Emerging Pathogens Initiative  
**FDA** – Food and Drug Administration  
**GAS** – Group A Streptococcus  
**GBS** – Group B Streptococcus  
**GISP** - Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project  
**HARP** – *Helicobacter pylori* Antimicrobial Resistance Program  
**HEDIS** – Health Plan Employer Data and Information Set  
**HRSA** – Health Resources and Services Administration  
**ICBG** – International Cooperative Biodiversity Groups  
**IDMIRG** – Infectious Disease and Microbiology Integrated Review Group  
**IDSA** – Infectious Diseases Society of America  
**IMPART** – Inter-Mountain Project on Antimicrobial Resistance Therapy  
**IRG** – Integrated Review Group  
**M.A.S.T.E.R.** – Multilevel Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing Educational Resource Program  
**MDR** – Multidrug Resistant  
**MMWR** – Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report

**MRSA** – Methicillin Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*  
**Mtb** – *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*  
**NADC** – National Animal Disease Center  
**NHLBI** – National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute  
**NICHD** – National Institute of Child Health and Human Development  
**NAMCS** – National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey  
**NARMS** – National Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring System  
**NARSA** – Network on Antimicrobial Resistance in *Staphylococcus aureus*  
**NCCLS** – National Committee for Clinical Laboratory Standards  
**NCDDG-OI** – National Cooperative Drug Discovery Groups for Opportunistic Infections  
**NCHSTP** – National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention  
**NCQA** – National Committee for Quality Assurance  
**NEDSS** – National Electronic Disease Surveillance System  
**NFID** – National Foundation for Infectious Diseases  
**NHAMCS** – National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey  
**NHANES** – National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey  
**NHLBI** – National Heart Lung and Blood Institute  
**NHSN** – National Healthcare Safety Network  
**NIAID** – National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases  
**NIH** – National Institutes of Health  
**NNIS** – National Nosocomial Infections Surveillance System  
**NTSS** – National Tuberculosis Surveillance System  
**OMPs** – Outer Membrane Proteins  
**PA** – Program Announcement  
**PBP** – Penicillin Binding Protein  
**PCR** – Polymerase Chain Reaction  
**PFGE** – Pulse Field Gel Electrophoresis  
**PhRMA** – Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America  
**PRHI** – Pittsburgh Regional Healthcare Initiative  
**RADAR** – Rural Antibiotic Decision-Support and Resistance  
**RFA** – Request for Applications  
**SBIR** – Small Business Innovation Research and Technology  
**SEARCH** – Surveillance for Emerging Antimicrobial Resistance Connected to Healthcare  
**SIPP** – Surgical Infection Prevention Program  
**TAACF** – Tuberculosis Antimicrobial Acquisition and Coordinating Facility  
**TB** – Tuberculosis  
**TBVIIV** – TB Vaccine Initiative Advisory Committee (WHO)  
**TTGP** – Technology Transfer Grants Program  
**USAID** – U.S. Agency for International Development  
**USDA** – United States Department of Agriculture  
**VHA** – Veterans Health Administration  
**VISA** – Vancomycin-Intermediate *Staphylococcus aureus*  
**VRSA** – Vancomycin Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*  
**VRE** – Vancomycin-Resistant *Enterococci*  
**VTEUs** – Vaccine and Treatment Evaluation Units  
**WARN** – Wisconsin Antibiotic Resistance Network  
**WHO** – World Health Organization